

United States District Court
STATE AND DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

Case Number:

V.

10-MJ-459 FLN

LAWRENCE COLEMAN,
a/k/a Gregory Austin

I, the undersigned complainant being duly sworn state the following is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. On or about October 26, 2010, in Hennepin County, in the State and District of Minnesota, defendant,

LAWRENCE COLEMAN, a/k/a GREGORY AUSTIN

did by force, violence, and intimidation, take from the person or presence of a victim teller, approximately \$1,800.00 in United States currency, which money belonged to and was in the care, custody, control, management, and possession of the City County Federal Credit Union located at 6160 Summit Drive, Brooklyn Center, Minnesota, the deposits of which were then insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2113(a).

I further state that I am a Special Agent and that this complaint is based on the following facts:

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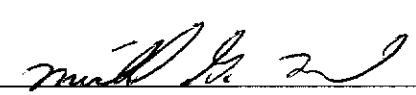
Continued on the attached sheet and made a part hereof: ☒ Yes ☐ No

Sworn to before me, and subscribed in my presence,

Date

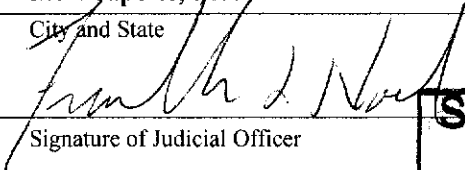
The Honorable Franklin L. Noel
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

Name & Title of Judicial Officer


Signature of Complainant
Michael G. Ferrick
FBI

Minneapolis, MN

City and State


Signature of Judicial Officer

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STATE OF MINNESOTA)
) ss. AFFIDAVIT OF Michael G. Ferrick
COUNTY OF HENNEPIN)

I, Michael G. Ferrick, being first duly sworn under oath,
depose and state as follows:

1. I am employed as a Special Agent with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. I am a member of the Violent Crimes and Major Offender Squad, with duties that include investigating bank robberies.

2. This affidavit is based on my training, experience, personal knowledge and observations in this investigation; upon my discussions with other law enforcement officers and agents directly involved in this investigation; and upon my review of official reports submitted in relation to this investigation. Further, this affidavit contains information to support probable cause but is not intended to convey facts of the entire investigation.

3. This affidavit is made for the purpose of establishing probable cause in support of a federal arrest warrant and therefore contains only a summary of relevant facts.

4. On October 26, 2010, at approximately 9:50 A.M., the City County Federal Credit Union located at 6160 Summit Drive, Brooklyn Center Minnesota, was robbed by a lone black male. The robber approached the victim teller and handed her a deposit slip. The teller took the slip but was unable to read it. The robber said to her, "Don't talk, don't move. Give me your \$100.00 or I will shoot you." The teller became afraid and immediately complied with the

robber's demand and gave him cash from the teller drawer. The robber grabbed the cash and walked calmly out of the bank.

5. An audit conducted by the credit union revealed that the robber got away with \$1800.00, in \$100.00 denominations. The robber was described as a black male, approximately 30 to 40 years of age, 5'9" tall, with a medium build, short black hair. He was wearing a hooded jacket with designs on it.

6. Following the robbery, law enforcement canvassed the neighborhood surrounding the bank and received information that an individual had offered \$100.00 for someone to drive them from the Target store, located at 6100 Shingle Creek Parkway, Brooklyn Center, Minnesota, to the Super 8 Motel, located at 6445 James Circle, Brooklyn Center, Minnesota.

7. Based on this information, law enforcement proceeded to the Super 8 Motel. Upon arrival at the Super 8 Motel, law enforcement showed the City County Federal Credit Union surveillance photograph to the hotel clerk who stated that the individual in the photograph had come to motel and was staying upstairs.

8. Law enforcement proceeded upstairs and located Vickie Stevens in an upstairs room. Law enforcement obtained a search warrant for the room and located a coat which matched the coat worn by the individual who robbed the City County Federal Credit Union.

9. Also on October 26, 2010 law enforcement interviewed Vickie Stevens at the Brooklyn Center Police Department and showed her

surveillance photographs from the robbery of the City County Credit Union in Brooklyn Center on October 26, 2010. Stevens identified the individual in the photograph as the same person who had left the coat in her room at the Super 8 Motel. She stated his name was Gregory Austin. Stevens was shown a Minnesota drivers license printout with a photograph of Lawrence COLEMAN. Stevens identified COLEMAN as the same person in the bank surveillance photograph, and as the individual she knows as Gregory Austin.

10. Also on October 27, 2010, law enforcement interviewed Jeremy Stanton at the Brooklyn Center Police Department. Stanton stated that Lawrence COLEMAN had called on the morning of October 26, 2010 and offered him \$50.00 if he would give him a ride from the Super 8 Motel to Minneapolis. Stanton picked up COLEMAN at the Super 8 Motel at approximately 10:30AM, on October 26, 2010. During the car ride COLEMAN told Stanton that he had just robbed a bank. COLEMAN stated that the bank was the credit union located on Summit, and that he had told the teller he was going to shoot her. Stanton was given a \$100.00 bill from COLEMAN, and observed that COLEMAN had several more \$100.00 bills.

11. Also, on October 27, 2010, Stanton was shown a surveillance photograph from the robbery of the City County Federal Credit Union in Brooklyn Center. Stanton positively identified the individual in the photograph as Lawrence COLEMAN.

12. An interview was conducted with Lawrence COLEMAN at the

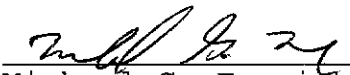
Robbinsdale Police Department, 4101 Hubbard Ave. N, Robbinsdale, Minnesota. Prior the interview COLEMAN was advised of his rights, and agreed to speak with law enforcement. COLEMAN stated that the individual depicted in the surveillance photograph robbing the City County Federal Credit Union in Brooklyn Center on October 26, 2010 was him. He admitted to robbing the credit union in Brooklyn Center.

13. I have also reviewed the Minnesota driver's license photograph of LAWRENCE COLEMAN and have interviewed him in person. After reviewing the City County Federal Credit Union's surveillance video, it appears to me that the individual who robbed the City County Federal Credit Union located at 6160 Summit Drive, Brooklyn Center, Minnesota, is LAWRENCE COLEMAN.

14. The City County Federal Credit Union, located at 6160 Summit Drive, Brooklyn Center, Minnesota, is federally insured.

15. Based upon these facts conveyed in this affidavit, I have probable cause to believe that LAWRENCE COLEMAN committed the bank robbery that occurred on October 26, 2010, at the City County Federal Credit Union located at 6160 Summit Drive, Brooklyn Center, Minnesota, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2113(a).

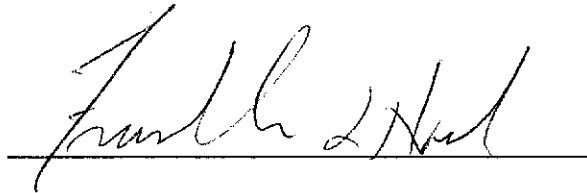
Further your Affiant sayeth not.



Michael G. Ferrick
Special Agent

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to

before me this 1st day of
November, 2010.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Franklin D. Hall", is written over a horizontal line.

United States Magistrate Judge